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is This in response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment issued November 8, 2002 in which it was indicated that the Amendment filed on October 10, 2002 was not considered compliant because it did not include a clean version of the amended claims as required. Enclosed herewith is a clean version of amended claims 13 and 21 as amended in the October 10, 2002 Amendment.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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